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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time up to and including August 20, 2002 to respond to the Office Action mailed March 20, 2002.

This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with the application being filed concurrently herewith.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$400.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or

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with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425, under Order No. PF354P1.

Dated: 20 August 2002

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